

Senate Bill 419

By: Senators Harp of the 29th, Hudgens of the 47th, Shafer of the 48th, Tolleson of the 20th and Bulloch of the 11th

AS PASSED

AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to setoff of debt collection against lottery prizes, so as to provide a method to recover delinquent child support payments from certain lottery proceeds; to change certain provisions relating to said article; to provide for applicability and an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article 2 of Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to setoff of debt collection against lottery prizes, is amended by striking Code Section 50-27-55, relating to applicability of article to prizes of \$5,000.00 or more, and inserting in its place a new Code Section 50-27-55 to read as follows:

"50-27-55.

The provisions of this article shall only apply to prizes of \$5,000.00 or more and shall not apply to any retailers authorized by the board to pay prizes of up to \$5,000.00 after deducting the price of the ticket or share; excepting that a claim for delinquent child support filed by the Child Support Enforcement Agency of the Department of Human Resources shall apply to all prizes of \$2,500.00 or more."

SECTION 2.

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2006, and shall apply to prizes awarded on or after that date.

SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.